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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

SIR:

Prior to examination, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 11-29 as follows:

- --11. (New) A document reading apparatus comprising:
- a document table which supports a single document;
- a document tray which receives a stack of documents;
- a line sensor which reads an image from each of the documents in units of lines parallel to a main scanning direction:
- a sensor transporter which transports the line sensor to scan the document on said document table from one reading surface edge in the sub-scanning direction during a first reading mode;
- a document feeder which feeds each document received in said document tray such that the document is scanned from another

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